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Thomas More College Earns Top Seed, Hosting Rights for 2008 PAC Baseball Tournament

WEXFORD, Pa. – Thomas More College has earned the top seed and hosting rights for the 2008 Presidents' Athletic Conference (PAC) Baseball Championship Tournament, which will take place in Crestview Hills, Ky., on Thursday-Saturday, May 8-10, 2008.

The Saints of eighth-year head coach **Jeff Hetzer** finished the regular season with an 11-1 PAC record (24-11 overall through May 4) to earn the top seed. TMC will host fourth-seed Grove City (15-16, 5-7 PAC) in an opening round contest Thursday at noon. The other first round game will take place at 3 p.m. on Thursday, as second seed Westminster (8-4 PAC, 24-14) faces third seed Thiel (8-4 PAC, 26-12).

The four-team, double elimination tournament will continue with three games on Friday (10 a.m., 1 p.m., 4 p.m.) followed by the championship game(s) on Saturday (noon, 3 p.m. if necessary). The 2008 PAC baseball champion will earn the conference's first-ever automatic bid to the NCAA Division III Baseball Tournament.

Admission for PAC championship tournament games is \$5 for adults, \$2 for students and \$1 for programs. PAC regular season passes are not accepted for PAC Tournament games.

Following is the complete schedule for the 2008 PAC softball championship tournament:

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Thursday, May 8 (at Thomas More Field - Crestview Hills, Ky.)

Game A - #4 Grove City (5-7 PAC, 15-16) vs. #1 Thomas More (11-1 PAC, 24-11) - noon

Game B - #3 Thiel (8-4 PAC, 24-12) vs. #2 Westminster (8-4 PAC, 24-14) - 3 p.m.

Friday, May 9 (at Thomas More Field - Crestview Hills, Ky.)

Game C - Game A winner vs. Game B winner - 10 a.m.

Game D - Game A loser vs. Game B loser - 1 p.m.

Game E - Game C loser vs. Game D winner - 4 p.m.

Saturday, May 10 (at Thomas More Field - Crestview Hills, Ky.)

Game F - Game C winner vs. Game E winner - noon

Game G - if necessary - 3 p.m.

Founded in 1955, the Presidents' Athletic Conference continues its mission of promoting intercollegiate athletics and the pursuit of academic excellence. Consisting of 10 select private institutions in Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Kentucky, the PAC remains a unique organization in this day of high pressure intercollegiate athletics. With academics at the center of each member's philosophy, the PAC is built on the principle that an athletic program is a part of college life, but not an entity in itself.

The PAC annually crowns champions in 19 sports (10 men, nine women). In 2006-07, the conference had 24 teams represent the conference in postseason play, including 14 in NCAA championship events.

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